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"I am standing now just behind the curtain, and in full glow of the coming sunset. Behind me are the shadows on the track, before me lies the dark valley and the river. When I mingle with its tariff. dark waters I want to cast one lingering look upon a country whose government is of the people, for the people, and by the people,"-L. L. Polk, July 4th, 1890.

N. R. P. A.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

If by any hook or crook the Demo crats win in the Georgia and Alabama elections we suggest that they use sugar and whiskey barrells for bonfires instead of tar barrels.

China and Japan areat war. Eigland has probaby started the row. China may laundry the Japanese, but England will own both countries when the battle implements are laid away.

We call attention to the address of Mr. Peele on the relation of State and old party ticket. Whether he is ever and stuck fast in it; the plate was Federal Governments. People are able to understand it or not, the fact cracked. The Navy Department will waking up on the subject of govern ment and all such addresses ought to he may have had has been legislated izing armor before accepting more be read and studied carefully.

word about who was robbed to enable others. her father to buy the diamonds for her.

President Cleveland thinks he has suppressed the Chicago strike with soldiers. Now we suggest that he mass the troops at Washington and suppress Congress. That body has destroyed more property in two years than all the strikers in the world ever destroyed in a thousand years.

The News and Observer is anxious to know the whereabouts of "Old Fogy," who "so adroitly and vehemently stirred up antagonism to the Democratic party in this State a few years ago." We can't furnish the information. It looks like a case of "how many did the cyclone kill, or was any body else struck?"

The Scotch-Irish Representative from Massachusetts, Hon. Michael J. McEt tereck, delivered a speech on the 20th, in the House, favoring election of Senators by a direct vote of the people, in which he made some good points. The speech, as published in the Record, is headed: "We seek deliverance from the iron heel of political absolution, which is willing that the city and the country should go to ruin so long as power, patronage and pelf may be the heritage of its henchmen."

GETTING BIGGER THAN HIS PARTY AGAIN.

The Charlotte Observer is an administration paper, Cleveland, Ransom, demonetization, destruction and all. It may claim to be a friend to silver. cal cut throats it endorses their leadand by them. Saturday the Observer said:

"The Observer has a business letter which winds up thus:

'With best wishes for the paper's success, and that of the Old Sheriff, yours truly, etc.'

has set strongly again toward the sheriff. One learns it from the talk of the people and feels it in the air. Anger is subsiding and reason is again making its way toward the throne. Democrats are beginning to realize that, after all, this is our administration, that Cleveland is our Old Man, and that he is as apt to know what is right and what is best for us as we are."

CLEVELAND, GORMAN AND HILL.

The great three ring circus and menagerie aggregation under the tariff tent at Washington is still in full blas-The sword swallowers and contortionists are outdoing anything heretofore attempted. Cleveland, Gorman and Hill are the leading accrobats and the centre of attraction in the three rings.

Cleveland's tariff letter has stirred up the animals and the farce enacted every day merits much Wall street applause. The letters itself is mere buncombe. We published it last week. Senator Gorman made a speech last Monday in which he bitterly arraigned Cleveland, charging, among other things, that Cleveland and Carlisle approved of the Senate bill as passed. Gorman is a protectionist and has been dealing in Sugar Trust stock. If the President had said anything against that great Senatorial fraud, Gorman's attack upon him, printed on page 3, would bear some semblance to a genuine outburst of indignation. As it is the public can readily see through the bluff game they are trying to work. To add to the rediculousness of the whole matter, Senator Hill, whose antagonism to Cleveland has been constant and bitter, made a two-hours' speech Tuesday in defense of the President. While all this our advertisers will favor us by men- leaves us in doubt as to the next move likely to be made, it will deceive only the wilfully ignorant. All of it is mere bosh, such as the sleight of-hand performer indulges in to mystify his audience. The administration has played the fool and the rascal, and this is probably the last attempt to humbug the public into the belief that some efforts have been made to reform the

THE SIZE OF IT.

Now and then we meet a man who looks smart and says: "You can't legislate money into a man's pocket." He was intact. The result was a great thinks this a knock down argument. Well, such wisdom is decidedly owlish. It is admitted on all sides that the new tariff bill will put at least \$50,000,000 left in the Harvey furnace for twentyannually into the pockets of the Sugar | eight days. Upon this test depended Trust. The other trusts that have been | the acceptance of 287 tons of armor for provided for in the bill will reap big the battleship Oregon, worth \$246,000. profits. Yet legislation don't put The loss to the company for the plate, money into men's pockets, says the even if the armor is finally accepted, Tennessee Current.

awfully befuddled, or hasn't got sense another test the next day, using the enough to vote. Let him keep on rais- same shells as were used in the June ing fifty cent wheat and six-cent cot- test of a Bethlehem plate. The Carton, and by no means forget to vote the penter projectile penetrated the plate will soon exist that what little money | conduct exhaustive tests on Harvey out of his pocket. When it is all gone Miss Marie D. Leon, of Charleston, maybe he will wake up to the fact that S. C., was robbed of diamonds valued dear money and cheap products have a the gun builders are yet considerably at \$600,000 at Saratoga, N. Y., one day good deal to do in emptying the pockets last week. The dispatch didn't say a of some men and filling the pockets of hundred and sixty pounds of powder

made scarce by contraction or hoard- inches thick cught to stop it. How ing it becomes dear. Then it takes ever, these two tests prove that the more labor and products to purchase a plates must be thicker and harder if dollar. In this way this class have they withstand the powerful force of been plundered of their just rewards these immense cannon requiring 260 until they are standing on the verge of | pounds of powder for a single charge. ruin. Through their downfall the other class have been elevated, and now own nearly all the wealth of the country They have cornered the money; yet they are a very small part of the popu-

lation. The man who thinks that legislation has nothing to do in putting money into his pocket or taking it out stands very much in need of more stuffing above his ears.

READY TO DECEIVE US AGAIN

It would seem as if the cantankerous opponents of every measure that the common people suggest or advocate would learn, after awhile, to be decent in their criticisms. That instead of villifying everybody and everything bounty paid by the government to that the money aristocracy and the old sugar refineries was satisfactory to the that the flower of the human race—the political theorists do not accept, perience would teach them moderation. for time has shown them over and over again that they have been a set of at the same time was indirect taxation. stupid ignoramuses and that the people have been right, says the Chicago

Farmers' Voice. That was the case with reference to the greenback and the demonitization of silver. In both cases time proved that these self appointed censors of public opinion never uttered a word of sense or truth in their opposition to the greenback and silver remonitizabut when it endorses the gang of politi- tion. And now what about the repeal of the silver purchasing clause of the ing acts and must be counted with, for | Sherman law? These fellows said that this clause was the cause of the depres sion. What have the months since the repeal said? They said that gold and silver could not be made to circulate side by side. And now what are "Lots of letters of that sort come to some of their associates saying on the this office. The tide of public opinion subject? The Vermont Republican State Convention resolved in favor of the free coinage of silver conditionally. It "hailed with enthusiasm" every effort of the government to secure free coinage. The California Republican Convention declared in favor of the free coinage of silver at the

League said: "We do not believe that there will be a permanent return of prosperity to our country until the full use and highest position of silver shall be restored." It is true that most of these declarations are somewhat ambiguous, but they are clear enough to stamp the villainous abuse of the advocates of silver as personified stupidity. if nothing more. If the country continues to be squeezed by the bankers a little longer, everybody except them, will be for silver.

It requires an unlimited amount of gall for the old party politician to demonetize silver and then denounce their own work, but they have done this time and again and still hope to fool somebody.

FAILURE OF A LARGE ARMOR PLATE.

An armor test of a Carnegie nickelsteel Harveyized plate, seventeen inches thick, took place at the Indian Head proving grounds on the Potomac near Washington July 12, and like the eighteen inch Bethlehem plate tested May 19, ended in the failure of the plate. The same gun-the 11 inch rifle -was used in both cases, says the Scientific American. The plate was secured to a 44 inch oak backing, heavily braced. The distance of the gun from the target represented a range of about 1,200 yards. The Carpenter projectile weighed 800 pounds and was propelled by 260 pounds of brown prismatic powder; the muzzle velocity was 1,410 feet per second. The first projectile fired penetrated 131 inches and then bounded back 50 feet. In the second Wheeler Sterling shot the velocity was increased to 1,858 feet per second and the striking energy was advanced to 20,370 foot tons. The havec wrought was terrible; the shot crashed through the plate and backing, deflected up, and landed 300 feet away. The head of the shot was somewhat injured, but the body of it surprise to all concerned, especially to the makers, who had used all possible care in its fabrication, the plate being will be \$20,000.

A producer who talks this way is | The Secretary of the Navy ordered

These two tests make it plain that in advance of the armor builders. Two ought to throw a projectile with pow-Money is a creature of law. If it is erful force, but a steel plate eighteen

THE SUGAR SCHEDULE.

The Senate tariff bill puts a tax of about 40 per cent., (the average may figure a little higher) on sugar. The Lousiana Sugar Planter and other organs of the trust pretend that this is outrageous and kick against it in every issue. Perhaps their insatiable greed leads them to be dissatisfied, but we doubt it. We believe their kicking is all for effect. They hope to create the belief, especially in the South, that this Congress has given us tariff reform.

The Sugar Trust wanted to be let alone at first until they found that the Democrats were their best friends. The refiners. It answered all the purposes of a protective prohibitory tariff, and, The trust has been selling sugar comparatively low since its formation, but the people paid the \$34,000,000 annually in bounties just the same. The present bill does away with the bounty and puts on a tariff rate. Estimating that the consumption of sugar remains the same it has been during the past year, the trust will get \$48,000,000 annually where it only got \$34,000,000 before. This proves that the trust is not in earnest when it kicks, or if it is, the kicking is because of the effect upon the people. In order to reap the advantages of the present tariff schedule the trust will be forced to increase the price of sugar and it fears that its damnable combination will not stand in the face of an outraged people.

ONE MORE CHANCE.

We saw one of our farmers in town the other day. He was one of these "give the Democrats a chance" fellows. -and that is to hang Clevelandratio of 16 to 1; and the Republican Western Watchman.

OUR RAILROADS.

From Interstate Commerce Commission report, June 30, 1892, we find the capital of our railroads was then: Stock \$ 4,633,108,765 Bonded debt..... 5,053,038,050

Floating debt....,540,601,321 Capitalization \$10,226,748,134

The holders of a majority of the stock own, or hold and control, the roads. We have it from a very reliable source that the average price of railroad stocks on the market is below 25 cents on the dollar. This being true we divide the stock amount given by four and find the total market value to be only\$1,158,277,191 One half of this am'nt is. ,579,138,596 A good working majority would be

\$600 000,000. But, you say, the stock is bound for the bonds. Well, what of that? The bonds, too, are on the market, and it is not difficult to ascertain their market value. We find quotation in stock exchange reports, and from these we learn that 50 cents on the dollar would over-reach their average selling price on the market, the amount of bonds at 50 cents on the \$1.00 would be

\$2,526,519,025 Add mark't price of stock 1,158,277,191

Total stocks and bonds of

the country\$3,684,796,216 Thus you can figure it out that the railroads, in order to declare dividends for the stockholders and pay interest on their bonds, are bound to oppress the patrons of their roads who, in turn, get it all back out of the consumer. Six per cent, on the stocks and bonds would be as follows:

Six per cent. on face or Six per cent real or market value..... 221,187,772 96

Difference, or 6 per cent. on water.....\$359,981,035 82 This excess is large. The politicians are running wild over the robber tariff. The tariff robbed the people of \$219, 091,174 in 1888, and only \$173,097,671 in 1893 under the McKinley law, which is a terrible law, but listen: This money goes to run the government, but where does this 6 per cent. on water in railroad stocks and bonds go, this enormous theft of \$359,981,035 82? Tell us, if you know, where it goes to. It is entirely too important a matter to ignore. We see that 6 per cent. on the difference between the face and market value of these bonds exceed the annual tariff receipts-very nearly double them. Still the corporation attorneys in Congress are pulling "free wool" over your eyes. Cast it off and wake up and see where you are at.

WHAT THE TIMES DEMAND.

We marvel how so many men and women can be indifferent to the injustice and oppression around them. Their eyes never flash indignation at a story of wrong; they are never touched by a scene of suffering. The high and holy thought that is lifting humanity nearer the Christ ideal and silently building the new government of justice and righteousness is as wasted upon them as is the breath of roses upon swine. They are to be pitied—these benighted souls. They are so dead asleep they know not that the Master is near, walking upon the waters. But more to be pitied-indefinitely moreare those who are awake, but, from cowardice, pretend as though they slept, and thus drift along with the current of conservatism, tacitly up holding the existing order of things by their criminal si'ence.

The times demand men-genuine, fearless, all round men, with none of the snob in their make-up. What cares a true man for the ridicule and ostra cism of the arrogant and conscience less? There is nothing in common between them and him, diametrically opposed in thought, feeling, and aspiration as they and he are. He knows loftiest intellects, the choicest soulshave always been and are to day with the poor and wronged of earth, willing -aye, glad-to suffer, even to die, for their kind. Then, why should any man hesitate to let the world know where he stands in the present struggle between Humanity and the Dollar?-Richmond Evening Star.

A TALL SNAKE STORY.

We do not undertake to run down all the political and snake yarns started, but feel called upon to put on the brakes now and then The Winston Sentinel, of the 23rd, is responsible for the following:

city, killed a garter snake about three feet long last Saturday. Between 75 and 100 little snakes about the size of a lead pencil were found in his mouth. It is the custom of this variety to carry their young in this way when moving from place to place."

The average Democratic reader of the Sentinel will believe the above just | colonies did not wait for an interna-This man still wants one more chance as firmly as he believes we are getting | tional agreement on the declaration of tariff reform, simply because he will independence. - Granite Pay Streak, not investigate for himself. Let's see. Granite, Colo.

A snake three feet long has a mouth A CORRECTION AND IMPORTANT Four snakes "about the size of a lead pencil" will fill the mouth of his or her snakeship comfortably full. "Between 75 and 100" snakes is the indefinite number given. We will put the number at the lowest estimate-75. In order to carry 75 snakes the size of a lead pencil, the snake ought to have a mouth at least 9 inches in diameter. Did you ever see a snake three feet long with a mouth nine inches in diameter? If you have, then we will admit that Democratic reform is a reality.

STRIKERS VS. SOCIETY MEN.

In the recent strikes we have wit nessed some very violent law breakers -in the newspapers. Some time ago Adjutant-General Tarnsey, of Colorado, was captured, taken out and tarred and feathered. The plutocratic press raised a howl and declared that strik ing miners were responsible for the outrage. The story was discredited from the start for the reason that General Tarnsey had been friendly to the miners. At last the perpetrators have been arrested. John A. Reagan, turnkey at the Colorado Springs jail, his brother, an ex deputy sheriff, Thomas Gordon, a society man, J. J. Mullien, mine owner and society man, Herbert Rebeke, society man, Eugene Kinney, another society man.

This shows plainly that the anarchists and law breakers are not all among miners and railroad men, as has been claimed. We have tried to keep our readers posted along this line, and than under the McKinley Act. His every time the truth comes out it is proven that most of the mechanical nominal value \$581,168,808.78 | class are peaceable and law abiding.

AMERICA'S PROSPERITY.

The European tourist had secured a paper and sat down for a quiet perusal of the news. Noting the flashy head lines he remarked to the hotel clerk:

"Are your papers reliable?" "Peculiarly so," was the reply. "Thi country is noted for its excellent news papers, its educational facilities, its love of peace, its-"

"Ah, thank you."

The tourist began to read: "The Pennsylvania soldiers fire on the enemy. Is that true?"

Clerk: "Yes sir, you see-" "The South Carolina troops abandon their arms in the presence of the enemy—"

"That is also true, but—"

"The Colorado troops have massed in the enemy's front—"

"Yes you see, Gov. Waite-" "Gov. McKinley has ordered the

Ohio troops—" "Certainly, sir! The strike—" Gov. Hogg has ordered the Texas

troops under arms—" "That sir, is because of-"

"Blood flowing in Illinois-"

"Well?"

"All because of—"

Twenty-three men killed in Mon "Yes, the tramps—"

"Thirty four killed in New Mexico, twenty in Pennsylvania, four in Indiana, three in Kansas—!"

"How long has your country been at

Clerk: Why, sir-it-er-dinner's ready sir! Right this way."-Salina Union.

SMILES.

Went down with his colors flyingthe painter when his staging broke.-Lowell Courier.

A boy never saw all of a circus; he firmly believes that only half of it is there, the half that it is on the bills be ing in some other town.-Atchison Globe.

While the rest of us have occasional streaks of bad luck, it is the horseman who neglects his harness who really knows what hard lines are. - Buffalo perate. Just quiet yourself, Mr. Rum Courier.

Lawyer-"It is true that my client called the plaintiff an ox, but considering the present high price of beef I do not consider that a very great insult.—Fliegende Blaetter.

Mrs. Hale (just married)-"Maria, we will have eels as a second course dinner." Maria-"How much ought I to get, ma'am?" Mrs. Hale-"I think twelve yards will be sufficient."-

HOTEL RATES AT GREENSBORO.

Reduced hotel rates have been secured at Greensboro for the State Alliance, beginning August 14th. Dele-"Raleigh Knoll, colored, who resides gates and visitors will be entertained on L W. Pegram's farm, north of the at from 60 cents to \$1 25 per day. The local committee will meet all trains and look after all who go. A large crowd will be in attendance.

DID NOT WAIT.

The inhabitants of the American

POSTSCRIPT.

Cor. of the Progressive Farmer.

As it is now too late to correct the printer's, proof-reader's and writer's mistakes in the address I submitted for publication in this week's issue of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, take this method of calling attention to some of them, though the intelligent reader will find no difficulty in detect. ing and supplying the defects himself,

In the last column on first page, for "convened into a mob" read "converted into a mob." and for "the convention prescribes an election by solemnly sworn eletors," read, "the constitution prescribes," etc.

In the first column on the fourth page, for "pay and collect taxes," read "lay and collect taxes."

In the second column on the fourth page after the words "the objects to be gained were" supply the words "a more perfect union," and for "setting differences" read "settling, etc.

In the same column, for "the debts of the States had been assured by the union" read assumed by the union and in the last line of that column for "compliment" read "complement."

There are a few other mistakes which even the unlearned will readily correct themselves. W. J. PEELE. P. S.-Cleveland's conduct of late

evinces a determined purpose to defeat the tariff bill if the income tax remains a part of it. He pretends he is mad because it does not provide free coal and iron, though they are much freer masters in Wall street are mad because of the income tax, which will fry some of their fat out of them. Witness the desperate efforts of their servant David Bennett Hill to defeat this tax; and now since Cleveland has come to his rescue, they have settled their differences. They remind me of two colored slave drivers who had frequent difficulties growing out of their jealousy of their master's favor, but as against their master's enemies they were always united.

Cleveland and Hill will always stand together when the interests of their common master are concerned.

In the income tax the monopolists see the thin edge of the wedge which

will burst them assunder some day. Cleveland hid his dagger like Joab when he smote silver under the fifth rib. Fools said he was only paving the way to enthrone silver. Some people now say that all Cleveland wants to do

is to carry out the Chicago platform

"What will Cleveland do now?" said one of a group of Democrats to Senator Vance the day after Cleveland was last inaugurated? "Whatever his masters in Wall street tell him to do," answered Vance. What did these masters tell him to do when he ordered Congress to demonetize silver? What did they tell him to do when he vetoed the seigniorage act? What did they tell him to do when he issued the fifty million dollars of interest bearing bonds, and got his authority from a subtile clause in an old doubtful act that not even any Republican servant of Wall street in the Presidential chair

had ever dared to call authority! And now what do these same masters say they want respecting the income tax? And what tax is it Mr. Cleveland says he greatly "deprecates," in his letter to Wilson? Did the Southern newspapers receive, as is alleged, four hundred thousand dollars of Wall street's money in the shape of campaign funds that they do not denounce Cleveland and his democracy?

W. J. PEELE. ----WE'VE GOT THE INEVITABLE NOW.

THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER makes a frantic and pathetic appeal to Democrats to come over and join the Populists. THE FARMER sees the handwriting on the wall and is becoming des sey, and prepare for the inevitable. Sanford Express.

Mr. Cleveland and his Congress have already given us all the inevitable we can stand. In making an appeal to all honest Democrats to join in the reform movement—the only thing that contains anything cheering-as we see it, we ask them to try to escape the inevitable and bring about an era of good government. Will the Express be kind enough to state whether or not it en dorses the present administration!

NOW WHAT?

You said that if they killed silver you would leave them. You said you would step out, if they increased the debt.

You said if they do not reform the tariff, you were out of the party. You said, if they do not give us more

money you would quit. You said if they endorse the administration you would drop them. You said, I am a Democrat of the

purity stripe. We say you are in a sad fix. What are you going to do? Did you mean it!